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SUBJECT: AFGAN COUP AND RECOGNITION QUESTION

REF: KABUL 5276

1. WE DISCUSSED AFGHAN DEVELOPMENTS WITH FCO TODAY IN WAKE REFTEL. BRITISH EMBASSY WASHINGTON HAS REPORTED DEPARTMENT'S INCLINATION "WAIT AND SEE" AND NOT BE IN ANY HURRY TO RECOGNIZE NEW GOVERNMENT. FCO APPARENTLY INTENDS FOLLOW SIMILAR APPROACH, ULTIMATELY "SLIPPING INTO RECOGNITION" ALONG LINES OUTLINED PARA 3 (REFTEL).

2. FCO HAS RECEIVED VARIOUS REPORTS ON POSSIBLE WHEREABOUTS KING ZAHIR, RANGING FROM RUMORED DEPARTURE FOR PAKISTAN (FROM WHENCE HE WOULD PLAN RALLY LOYALISTS) TO PLANNED FLIGHT TO LONDON. AFGHAN EMBASSY HERE STATES AMBASSADOR TALKED TO KING IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ROME LATE LAST NIGHT AND THAT ZAHIR PLANS REMAIN

THERE FOR PRESENT. FCO INCLINED ACCEPT LATTER AS
MOST LIKELY.

3. FCO MOST INTERESTED KNOW OUR INTENTIONS ON RE-
COGNITION. REQUEST EMBASSY BE ADVISED WHEN DECISION
TAKEN SO WE CAN PASS IT TO THEM WHEN APPROPRIATE.

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